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**Subject:** Re: Maryland Declaration and Consent Order documents

Cecil:

Thank you again for your timely response and review. MDE has reviewed and incorporated all of EPAs suggested edits to both documents.

With respect to the question in the Order:

- the new permit will specify that there must be a timely application for coverage under the new general permit.

With respect to the question in the Declaration:

- regarding documentation of approval, MDE will send a letter upon approval (similar to the process used under the NOI) with a copy of the consent order.

MDE will proceed with making the documents final and move forward with implementation. Thank you again for your assistance, it is greatly appreciated. Have a nice evening.

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On Wed, May 13, 2020 at 11:50 AM Andrea Baker -MDE- <[andrea.baker@maryland.gov](mailto:andrea.baker@maryland.gov)> wrote:

Thank you for your prompt review and response. I will share it with MDE. Have a great day.

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On Wed, May 13, 2020 at 11:46 AM Rodrigues, Cecil <[rodrigues.cecil@epa.gov](mailto:rodrigues.cecil@epa.gov)> wrote:

Andrea: attached are EPA's comments on the two documents you shared with me. If you would like schedule time to go over our comments please let me know.

Thanks. Cecil.

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Cecil - per our conversation last week, I have attached the documents MDE would like to use for people who can not obtain coverage under the expired GP. People would sign the Declaration of Intent, MDE would follow its process parallel to what it would have done for the general permit (including allowing public comment), at the end if MDE would have otherwise allowed coverage under the general permit, MDE will authorize coverage by the Consent Order. The Consent Order will hold people accountable to the environmental protections set forth in the permit and provide the Department an enforcement tool for violations. Please let us know if you have any comments or questions. MDE would like to implement this process as soon as possible. Thank you and I appreciate your time.

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